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Homecoming offers many activities

By Tatia Rogers
staff writer

Homecoming activities begin tomorrow with this year's first campus walk.

"The course will begin at Gentry Gym parking lot, and continue around the corner past the library. Then couples will follow the sidewalk to Wise Plaza where the pep rally will begin at 1 p.m.," said Student Activities Director Emma Lou Prater. "All classes will also be let out at 1 p.m. for the festivities."

All homecoming queen nominees should meet at 12:30 p.m. in Gentry Gym parking lot. The whole organization they represent should follow behind them, Prater said.

Display and building decoration prize winners will be announced during the rally. First place winners will receive plaques.

Tomorrow night, organizations and individual acts will show their talents at the annual Campus Capers. Acts will be in two categories for the first time this year.

Category One consists of those organizations who meet regularly. Category Two is made up of all other clubs and individual acts. The top three acts in each category receive cash prizes of \$250, \$150 and \$50 respectively.

Acts in Category One are: Alpha Delta Sigma, Alpha Tau

Alpha, Apache Belles Guards, Baptist Student Union, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Kappa Psi, Pi Kappa Alpha, San Soucis, Tri C and Zeta Phi Omega.

Category Two will include Apache Band, Apache Belles, Cheerleaders, Choir, Dance Club, Harmony and Understanding and Las Mascaras.

Capers begins at 7 p.m. in Wise Auditorium, and admission costs \$2.

Capers judges will also announce the top five homecoming queen candidates tomorrow night at the talent show. They will also select their "Most Beautiful Girl" and present her.

Student Senate's Homecoming Dance starts at 10 p.m. tomorrow after Capers in the Student Center. A midnight pep rally will start outside the Center after the dance.

A Texas Style barbecue is planned for 4 p.m. Saturday in Wagstaff Gym. All students are invited, said Senate President Phillip Ambrose.

An Ex-students' Association brunch is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Students will lead campus tours for these visitors, and others throughout the day.

To end the festivities, TJC takes on Kilgore College Saturday night in Rose Stadium. The top five queen candidates will be presented before the game at 7 p.m. with Cyndi Trahan, last year's queen, crowning this year's new homecoming queen.

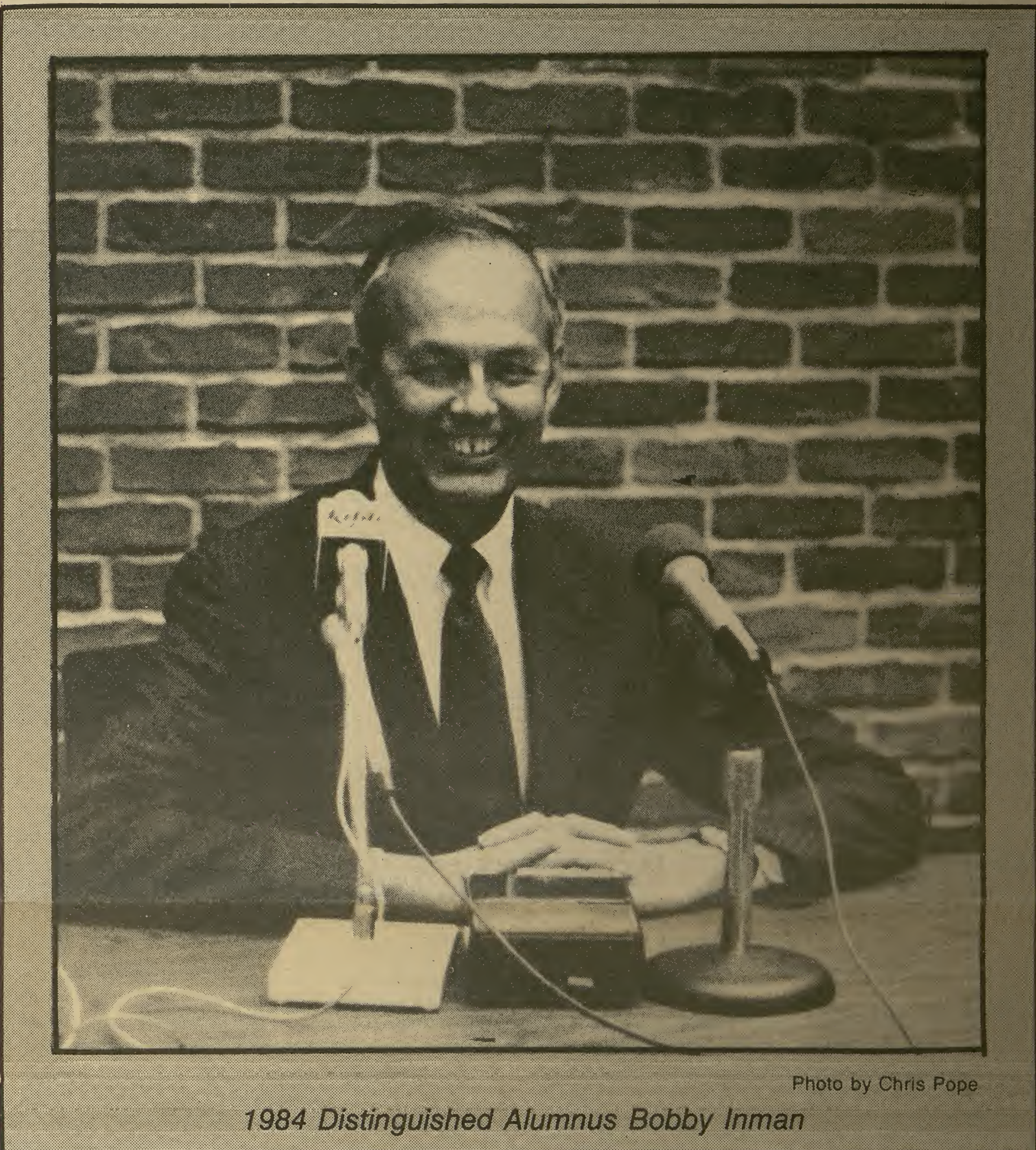


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1984 Distinguished Alumnus Bobby Inman

Inman stresses basic education

By Karen Carney, Chante Mazy
and Tatia Rogers
staff writers

Creating technology depends on education, former Admiral Bobby Inman told more than a hundred faculty, students and visitors in Browne Theatre Monday afternoon.

A good education provides a background in the basics, said Inman, 1984 Distinguished Alumnus whose appearance kicked off TJC Homecoming.

"It's good to come back to where one started one's undergraduate work," he said. "because I got a good education here."

Inman is a 1946 graduate of Mineola High School and a 1948 graduate of TJC. At age 15, he recalled, "I was five feet four inches tall and weighed 98 pounds when I rode the bus to TJC with nine veterans" of World War II.

"High school was tough because there was three years' difference" in his age and his classmates', Inman said. "My college years were different because I was here with vets and there were five, six or

seven years difference in our ages."

How we go about the education process will determine how this country will lead in technology, he said.

Inman is optimistic about the Texas school system, saying that Texas, if it carries out the proposed reforms, has the potential to be in the top five public school systems in the country.

By 1990, he predicts, the University of Texas at Austin will be No. 1 in the country among state supported schools, and Texas A&M University will be in the top 10. Both these developments are closely related to Microelectronics and Computer Technology, an Austin consortium Inman now heads.

Inman, the first naval intelligence specialist to attain the rank of four-star admiral, discussed the impact of the computer and people's fear of being replaced by a machine.

"They (computers) will not, in fact, replace the human mind," he said. "I don't believe it for a moment."

Nurse gives student care

by Timothy Scott
staff writer

Throughout the years there have been many great members of the nursing fraternity. Florence Nightingale, Clara Barton, "Hot Lips" Houlihan, Zelda Boucher.

Zelda Boucher? She may not be famous, but she is someone every TJC student should know. Boucher is the college nurse.

From her office at the Student Center between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Nurse Boucher provides free medical care and advice. It is a job she has been performing for three years, and it is a job she loves.

"I love it," Boucher said. "I love the students and I enjoy

working with people in general."

Though she has encountered some emergencies in her career here, most problems are minor. Headaches, upset stomachs, cuts and abrasions are some of the more common ones. But the most prevalent problem this time of year is the common cold, and Boucher offered some tips on how to help prevent it.

She suggests thorough and regular hand washing, drinking plenty of fluids and nutritious eating habits. Sometimes she administers Vitamin E to students who come to her with cold symptoms. She also offered one practical suggestion.

"One of my pet peeves is people drinking after each other,"

she said. "They think that just because they may be feeling well at the time, that it's allright. They don't realize that a person can have a cold two or three days before the symptoms show."

As a nurse on a college campus she sometimes runs into situations other than those faced by a typical nurse.

"A lot of kids are from out of town or out of state, and they get homesick. They just need someone to talk to. So I'm kind of like a surrogate mother," she said.

Whether a student is in need of a surrogate mother or competent and compassionate medical attention, the name Zelda Boucher is one to remember.

Band shows draw to close

Performances of the TJC Band draw to a close with this year's appearance in the Homecoming festivities Friday and Saturday. The band will perform in the Cotton Bowl in December.

"If the Dallas Cowboys play in the play-off games we will also entertain the crowds there," said Jack Smith, director of the Apache Band and Belles.

Students interested in performing with the band in the spring semester should speak to Smith before registering for the course.

"I would like to encourage students with musical talent or experience to come by and see

me prior to registering this spring," said Smith.

The Apache Belle Guard was founded three years ago by former Belle Director Athena Russell. Belle Guards this year include freshmen: Manager Leanna Lynch, Bob Griffith and Gene Wedgeworth.

Sophomores include: Jo Cavazos, Stephan Granberry and Billy Slaughter.

The Guards act as a support organization for the Belles, and are chosen by Belle Director/Choreographer Ruth Flynn.

Students interested in becoming a guard should call Flynn at 531-2244 or see Smith.

Homecoming brings pleasant changes

Homecoming is many things to many people. With activities ranging from a campus walk to an alumni barbecue, Homecoming seems to spread its magic to everyone.

For students, Homecoming promises the suspense of a homecoming queen and expectations of a football victory. It contains the power of school spirit and the anticipation of social dances.

To alumni, Homecoming is a time to remember and relive yesterday. For each, the magic lies in reacquaintance with former classmates and former teachers.

Many have worked on Homecoming plans to provide activities to interest current students and visitors who return. Alumni Association Secretary Judy Caswell says, "I feel Homecoming provides a symbolic as well as tangible way for the ex-students to come back and pay tribute to the college that helped them get where they are today. For the students here now, it gives an opportunity to participate in campus activities--Capers, displays, the game and reception--and to meet some successful graduates."

Yet perhaps the best part of Homecoming is the idea of the celebration itself. The weekend is a time when the normal routine of things is broken.

No matter how varied the magic of Homecoming may be, one thing is certain: the worst thing about Homecoming is it is all too soon over.

Suicide: major problem on college campuses today

Suicide is the second leading cause of death among college students.

Although it is estimated that the suicide rate is far higher among college students than for those the same age not in college, it is believed that 8,000 college students will take their lives this year.

Benjamin B. Wolman, editor of the book "Between Survival and Suicide," gives a number of reasons college suicides. Students can find college a drastic change from high school. A student who had been an "A" student throughout high school may find the extra load of college work can drop the overall grade point average. This may make the student feel inadequate or incapable of doing college work.

Social pressure is a real problem among college students. Some feel that if they do not belong to the top sorority or fraternity on campus, they are unpopular and therefore tend to draw into themselves.

Financial problems can cause enormous pressure. A student who is expected to support himself and attend college at the same time may find the heavy work load and no free time too demanding.

The suicide attempt rate is two to three times higher in females, although males complete suicide three times more often than females, reports the Aug. 27 Dallas Morning News.

Males are pushed to be competent and successful, which can cause pressure on them. Females, also are expected to be successful, but at the same time they often receive a second message that they cannot be as successful as the male.

According to the Tyler Courier Times of Aug. 7, 1983, one suicide can touch off another.

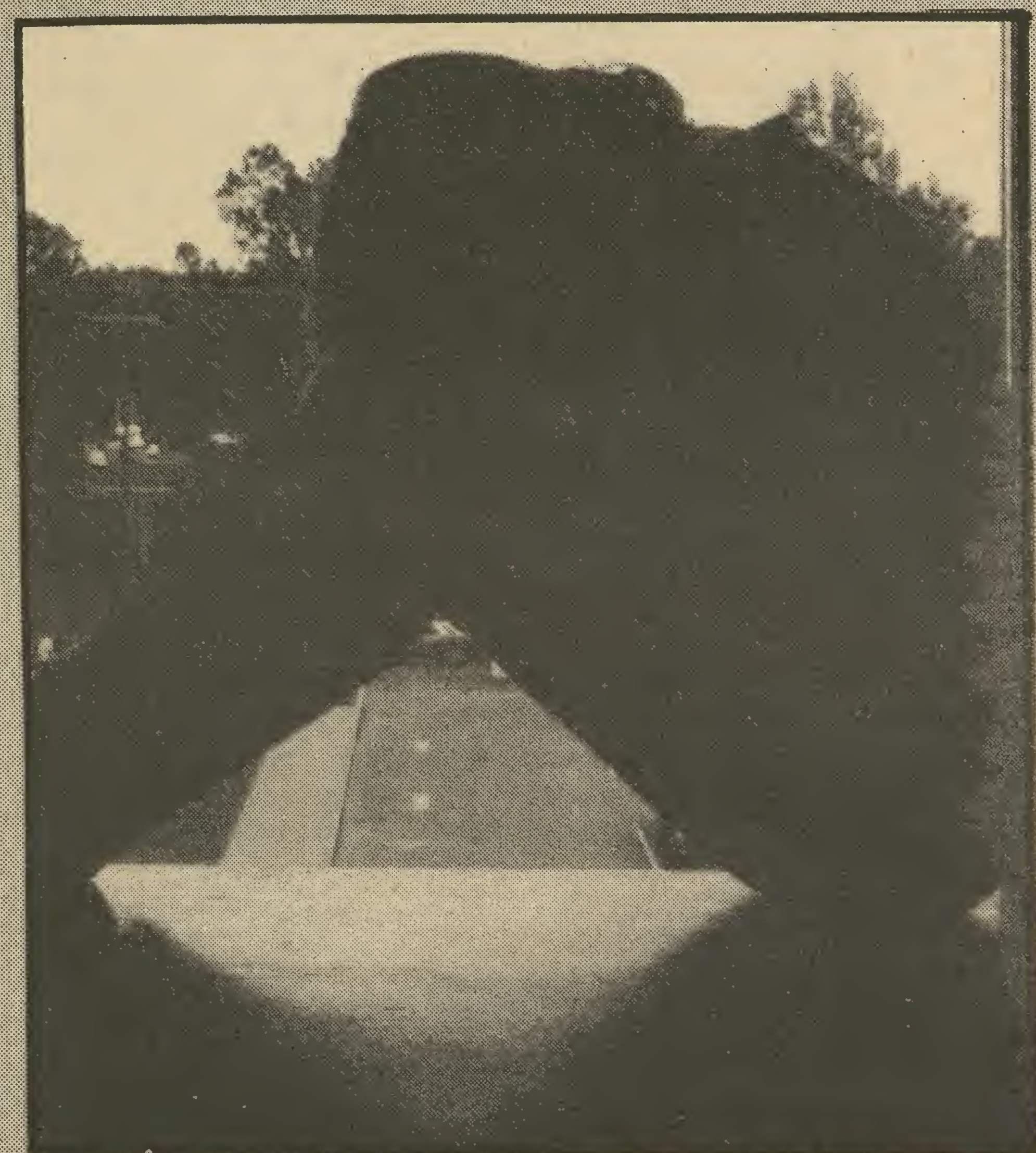


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LONELINESS AND PRESSURE are two reasons for suicide, the second leading cause of death among college students. The social and academic changes that occur in the move from high school to college place new pressures on students. Such pressures may cause the student to feel inadequate or incapable of doing college work. Suicide is usually premeditated, authorities say, and many warning signs are given by the suicidal person, such as talking about death and dying.

A student who knew the suicide victim can feel guilty or ashamed to still be alive. This vulnerability can cause the same pressures that built up on the friend to trigger another suicide attempt.

Contrary to what some people might think, suicide is always carefully thought out and planned. A potential suicide victim may give many warning signs. The person may talk about dying and say things like "Life is not worth living" or "He (she) will

be sorry when I'm gone." Evidence of depression, such as sleep or appetite disturbances, may also occur, says James D. Hengstenberg and Carolyn Lennox, authors of the book, "Answering the Cry for Help".

Many colleges offer counseling for students to talk about their feelings of suicide. Peer counseling and individual counseling are offered at most large colleges, in hopes that suicide statistics among college students are significantly lower next year.

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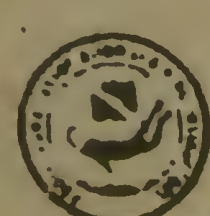
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News briefs

Tri-C sponsors dinner, devotion

The Campus Christian Center invites students of all categories to a free dinner every Thursday at 5:30 p.m., said Campus Minister Dr. Charles Stelding.

The Thursday devotion among other things is to expose the students to scriptures that will enhance their lives as Christians. "A lot of information could be gained by students despite their church affiliations," said Stelding.

"The meals are served first, and this is closely followed by scripture reading," said Stelding.

"Fellowships not only lead to better understanding of the Bible, but they act as a good forum for student interactions outside of class," Stelding said.

The minister ended by urging students to embrace this golden opportunity.

BSU offers free lunch, fellowship

The Baptist Student Union is having a free lunch every Wednesday at noon. "It is a time of fellowship and sharing," said BSU Director Bob Mayfield. Lunch is served in the basement, Mayfield said, and is followed by a short devotional or special program and some singing.

The BSU is located at 1327 Baxter St. west of campus. Mayfield invites everyone to drop in and says the program will be over by 12:50 p.m. in time for class.

Library opens 'Chivalry' display

"The Art of Chivalry," a photographic exhibit, opened Monday in Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center.

The display of photos depicting the lifestyles of the Middle Ages runs through Nov. 30. It is accompanied by three films to be shown in AVL 1.

The exhibit is organized to reflect the variety and changes in chivalric gear, the different forms of combat, the connection with the church and the influences chivalry had on culture.

"I think that the age of chivalry is often thought of as a very romantic period, but some of it was just the opposite. This shows both sides," said Library Services Director Johnnie Kennedy.

Pictures of the lifestyle, armor and other contemporary works of the medieval era are displayed behind the stairs on the main floor.

Gospel Choir sings around city

The Gospel Choir, a noncredit organization, meets on Wednesdays in the Student Center. The choir performs at several churches around Tyler, said Sponsor Audrey Woods.

The highlight for the group each year is attending the Gospel Festival in Arlington. Last year the group did quite well competing against major universities, said Woods.

Anyone may join who is interested by contacting Woods in her office in Gentry Gym or by calling 531-2245.

Students to aid with Smoke-Out

Respiratory Therapy students will operate two booths at Mother Frances and Medical Center hospitals in conjunction with the Great American Smoke-Out today, said Program Coordinator John Abel.

Students will perform pulmonary function screening and give care packages to smokers who are trying to quit. The packages contain mints to help curb a smoker's taste for cigarettes.

"Also," said Respiratory Therapy Club President Gerald Bowen, "we plan to take a smoker and encourage him to quit for at least 24 hours. We will be passing out brochures and pamphlets about the hazards of smoking."

Little sisters support fraternities behind scenes

By Angela Jones
staff writer

When people think of a fraternity, they usually think of a group of young men providing services for the college or just having good time. Yet often behind the scenes are some strong supporters; the fraternity's little sisters.

Little sisters back up their fraternity and help out with different functions. Three little sisters chapters in campus are: Sigma Phi Epsilon, Golden Hearts and Delta Upsilon and Pi Kappa Alpha little sisters.

Sig Ep President Jeff Johnson said the Golden Hearts are a very select group of young ladies on campus. Girls wishing to be Golden Hearts are invited to social functions. After careful observations, a set number are invited to participate in Golden Heart rush.

"Quality, not popularity, is the basis on which the Golden Hearts

are selected," said Johnson. To be a Golden Heart, you must learn the fraternity origin and the history. Each girl must be in good standing with the college as well as with members. After learning various material, each girl is tested to see if she is eligible.

For the past two years, the Golden Hearts have received the Best Little Sisters Chapter award at the Sig Ep Tri-State convention at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Pike little sisters are selected by invitation only. The process of selection is done by using a black ball box. If a girl receives three black ball requests, she does not receive a bid.

The Pikes set a small number for bids. "We want to have the smallest little sister chapter," said Pike President Garland Pack. "We want quality, not quantity."

Pike little sisters function as a sorority. They select officers and meet on their own.

The Pikes also select a Dream Girl for the year. A nationally-selected Dream Girl tours and visits the different Pike chapters.

The DU little sisters are also selected by fraternity members. Girls are invited to a social gathering and from this impression, little sisters are selected. Little sisters are honored at a banquet in the spring.

The girls selected should keep a good image and be helpful during rush and pledging, said DU Vernon Yates. The girls must support the fraternity and help get things done.

"We try to select all types of girls, but we also try to pick those with a flexible schedule," said Yates.

"Being a little sister to DU is the best you can be because they treat you like queens," said DU Little Sister Annie Dzenowski.

Much time, dedication and hard work go into being a little sister. Many duties are involved in this special role.

BSU links students to church

By R.J. Holt
staff writer

Bob Mayfield, Baptist Student Union director since January, 1983, sees the BSU as "a link between the students and the church."

TJC graduate Mayfield went to Baylor University in Waco where he received a bachelor of arts degree in religion. After finishing Baylor, he attended Southwestern Theological Seminary in Fort Worth.

Mayfield's first church assignment was Gresham Baptist Church as part-time youth minister and music director while he was a TJC student. He was

licensed to preach at Gresham Church, and remembers the community as a dot on the map, much smaller than today.

Mayfield was employed at Swan Baptist Church part time in the summer while he attended Baylor. He worked as youth minister and music director for four years.

Upon graduation from seminary, Mayfield was hired full-time by First Baptist Church of Independence, Kan. Employed as assistant pastor, Mayfield worked as youth director, headed the bus ministry and finally became music director.

Yet he felt uncomfortable and

dissatisfied because, he says, he felt he was called to teach and counsel, but was doing more organizing than teaching.

That feeling led Mayfield to Tyler. His main goal at the BSU is to help young people develop their talents for Christ, he said.

He does this in several ways, Mayfield said, such as mission trips and ministries involving nursing homes, children and puppets.

Mayfield also teaches Bible classes. He teaches New Testament Survey and the Life of Christ in the fall and Old Testament Survey and the Life of Paul in the spring.

'Crimes' ticket sales begin

Ticket reservations and sales for "Crimes of the Heart" began this week. Sales will continue through performances of the play which opens Nov. 29 and runs through Dec. 4.

Tickets cost \$3 for adults, \$2 for students and \$1 for children 12 and under and senior citizens.

Director David Crawford suggests that children and young people will not be interested in this play because of the mature subject matter.

Cast in "Crimes" are: Jeanine McDonald as Lenny McGrath, Dawn McTee as Chick Boyle, Raymond Kester as Doc Porter,

Katy Tarrant as Meg McGrath, Emily Hart as Babe Botrelle and Lee Mayfield as Barnette Lloyd.

"Crimes," written by Beth Henley, a graduate of Southern Methodist University, won the Pulitzer Prize and the Drama Critic's Circle Award in 1981.

Henley places this comedy deep in the heart of Mississippi.

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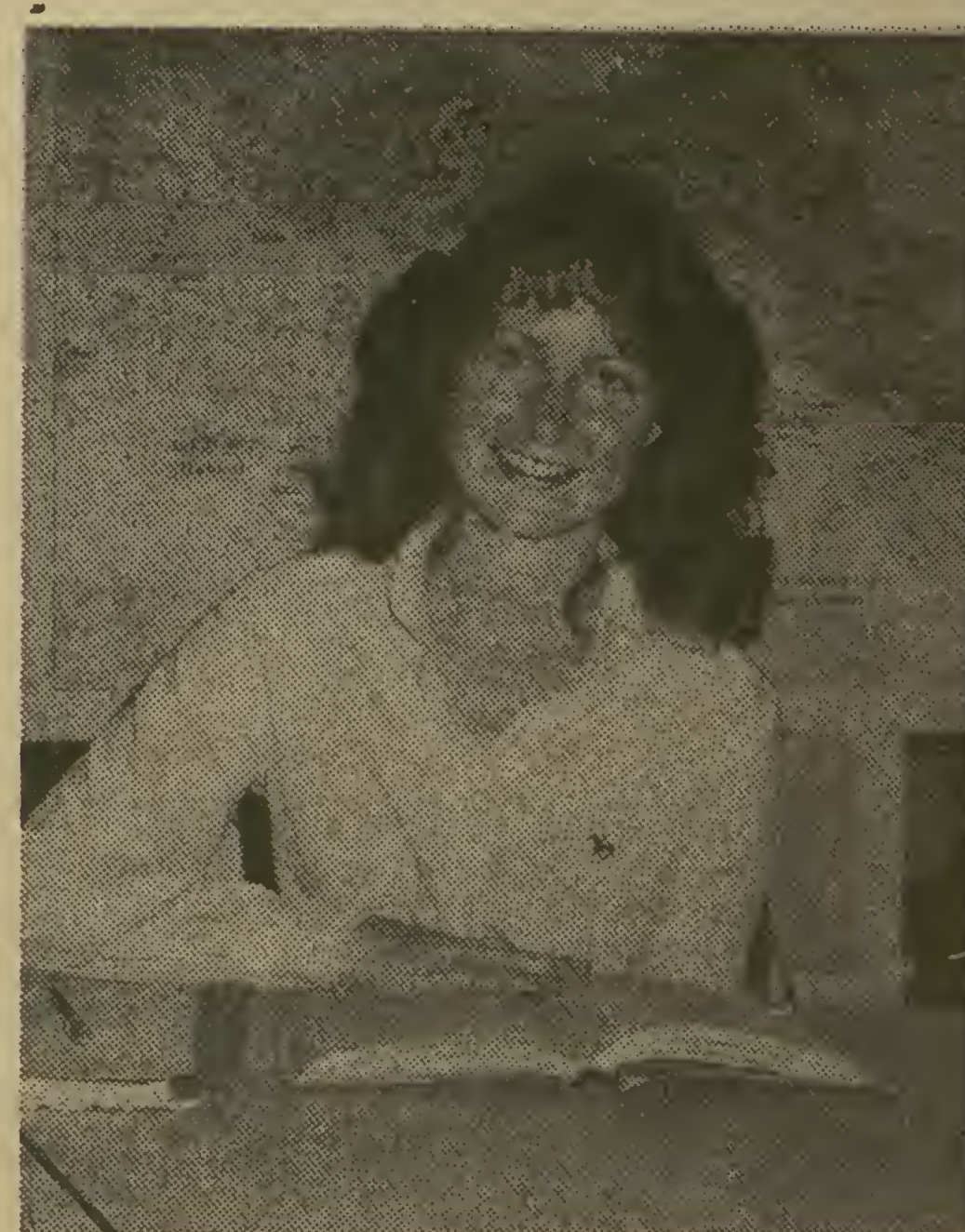
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Manager-trainer work remains priceless

By Kyle Hargrove
Sports Editor

TJC coaching great Floyd Wagstaff boasts memberships in the Stephen F. Austin University, the Texas Junior College and the National Junior College halls of fame. And he credits his start in coaching to beginning his career as a football team manager.

"I used to be a player, and got hurt," he said. "And then I decided to be a manager so I could stay close to the game."

Through the years, Wagstaff became one of the best known coaches in Texas.

All athletic managers don't aspire to become great coaches, but they all have their reasons for what they do.

The Apache football team is blessed with three solid manager-trainers, each with previous experience, and each with goals for his future.

Carrying the load as managers and trainers this season for the Apaches have been Danny Woodard of Carthage, Reggie Matthews of Nacogdoches and Joe Silvas of Clute.

"I endorse these young men 100 percent," said Wagstaff. "Not just anybody can be a manager. It takes organization, the ability to work for and with coaches, keep equipment straight and clean and to work and help the players also."

Matthews is the senior member on the Apache staff, in his second year at TJC. The 19-year old sophomore attended Nacogdoches High School, playing football and

finding time to manage in the baseball and basketball programs.

His family has produced several coaches. His father and grandfather were both at one time coaches, and Matthews says his desire is to become a coaching leader also.

"I just enjoy sports," he said. "I think coaching is a respectable career and I have been fortunate enough to be associated with a good program at TJC."

Matthews and Silvas carry on much the same duties. They are in charge of all the football equipment, uniforms and communications to and from the press box on game nights.

Silvas does much of the actual equipment work during the games, making emergency repairs when necessary and keeping everybody happy in general.

Matthews, on the other hand, does the majority of his work prior to and after the games. He is in charge of washing and caring for game uniforms, setting up headphones to the press box and keeping good footballs on the field during the game. After TJC he plans to attend Oklahoma State as a manager there.

Woodard, on the other hand, has different duties. His actual title is trainer. The 19-year old freshman has a heap of experience going his way.

"I was manager-trainer for Carthage High School for three years in football, and four years in track," Woodard said. "It's something I really enjoy, and I'd like to go on into sports medicine as a certified trainer or physical therapist."

Woodard must care for the minor injuries to the team and do everything possible to prevent them through taping and other equipment procedures.

Woodard showed his worth as a quick thinker in the Wharton game when Tailback Ronnie Ducksworth's shoe came apart, and replacements were not readily available. Woodard went to work with some tape and replaceable cleats, and in no time Ducksworth was back into the game.

"I've really got to pay attention to what's going on out there on the field," said Woodard. "I like to be spirited, but I can't whoop and holler like I did in high school. I've got to be ready in case of injuries or time outs."

Woodard says he would like to attend Texas Christian University as a trainer. He hopes to attain a scholarship there after his TJC days are over.

"These guys are worth their weight in gold," said Wagstaff. "They've got to be the No. 1 boss in any program. A good manager is to a football team as Ronnie Ducksworth is to the TJC backfield. There is no way, I mean no way, we could do without them."

So even though these hidden heroes don't get much limelight, their contributions are priceless. They are all on scholarship, but it is apparent that scholarships alone cannot begin to replace the valuable services of these special people.

"It's true we don't get much attention," said Woodard, "but if that's what we did this for, we'd be in the wrong business. Anyhow, knowing your contributions are valuable and appreciated is worth all the effort."



TRAINER DANNY WOODARD—awaits time-outs and injuries during football games. He also has his work cut out for him during the week, handling taping, injury prevention and rehabilitation.



JOE SILVAS—comes to the rescue once again, helping a player with an equipment problem during a recent Apache game. The Clute native handles all types of football equipment.



RAMBLIN' REGGIE MATTHEWS—roams the sidelines helping referees with game balls, and helping players with just a tad of encouragement at times. Matthews is in charge of game uniforms.

Photo by Kyle Hargrove

Early success marks pre-season

Although the tennis teams have only played 10 matches (five women's and five men's) already first-year Coach Robert Cox is saying the team should make the Nationals in May.

Overconfident? Cocky? Maybe, but with six returning All Americans, a strong freshman group and a collective record of 7-3 thus far, Cox has good reason to be confident.

The women's only loss came to Rice University, while the men have lost only to Rice and Stephen F. Austin State University.

The men have a 3-2 record and the women are at 4-1. Both teams will play 10 more matches this fall, but the real season starts in February.

TJC's four-year opponents in-

clude Louisiana College, Southern Arkansas University, Southern Methodist University and University of Kansas.

Two-year opponents include Cooke County Junior College and Temple Junior College.

The fall schedule is more for practice, said Cox, with the spring schedule counting toward regional and national tournaments. The Apaches will play 22 matches in the spring, prior to regionals in Laredo. Though it does consist of more matches, the spring schedule is not as rigorous as fall, because of the higher number of junior colleges played in spring, said Cox.

The teams, men and women, should be in the top five nationally, Cox said, when the rankings come out from the Intercollegiate

Tennis Coaches Association. This will be the first year that the IT-CA has ranked junior colleges.

Cox speaks highly of both teams. "This team has more spirit than any other junior college team," Cox said.

Doubles play and experience are the team's other major strengths.

Returning All Americans for the men are: Clay Parten, Scott Marshall, Andrew Lobb and Joey Johnson, while the women return All Americans Astrid Sunde of Norway and Sophie Barlemont of France.

In addition to these, strong freshman players include David Head and Dave Tibbetts for the men and Elizabeth Day of New Zealand, Kim Oleson and Kirs Ojala of Finland.

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